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Ex-CIA Man at UC 'Was No Spy'

STATINTL

The University of California professor who worked for the Central Intelligence Agency said today that his job did not involve spying.

"It's a big house with many mansions," said Raymond J. Sontag, professor emeritus of history at the Berkeley campus.

He said that in 1951-53 he helped "prepare intelligence estimates for the National Security Council," a job so unsecret that it was described in the Readers Digest.

As a noted scholar in modern European history, he was given the job of editing and sorting the official papers captured from the German Foreign Office after World War II.

Sontag's disclosure came in a letter to the student newspaper, the Daily Californian, as part of the debate over surreptitious subsidies from the CIA to the National Student Association.

STUDENT TARGET

Student Body President Dan McIntosh, who formerly resided in Sontag's home in Berkeley, was the target of Sontag's letter.

McIntosh returned over the weekend from emergency sessions of the NSA's National Supervisory Board in Washington, D.C., and was quoted as saying the "CIA duped students and used them as spies."

Sontag said he found "the



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outry of my good friend Dan McIntosh nauseating."

He argued that only the CIA, which has no line-by-line budget scrutiny in Congress, could effectively subsidize international activities of liberal groups such as the NSA.

RESPECTED

Sontag is regarded as one of the most distinguished and respected members of the UC faculty.

He said that if anyone in government, from the President on down, wants to "encourage some activity without impairing the independence of the activity, his method is subsidy by the CIA."

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